

REMARKS

The above-identified application was allowed in the Office Action mailed June 18, 2009 (hereinafter, "Notice"). The issue fee has not been paid. This Amendment includes an amendment to the specification and the claims. The amendment to the claims is submitted to correct a typographical error in claim 48.

The Notice included an Examiner's Amendment to the section "Cross-Reference to Related Applications." (Notice, p. 2) The Examiner's Amendment, insertion of the phrase "now abandoned" after "November 21, 2001" was made to "the specification filed on 02/25/04 at page 1" (Notice, p.2); however, the papers filed on November 21, 2001, do not appear to include the phrase "November 21, 2001," referenced by the Examiner. Further, as set forth in the directed amendment to the specification, the November 21, 2001, date referenced does not reflect the prior amendments directed in the papers submitted to the Office on October 8, 2008, as requested by the Examiner. Specifically, the amendment directed in the petition and amendment (Appendices 3 & 4) to Senior Party Zook (PRC) Motion 2 has apparently not been entered, despite Applicants' submission "that the motion and associated papers support the grant of the benefit of priority as set forth therein" and request that, if necessary, the Examiner forward the motion and associated papers to the Petitions branch for processing. (October 8, 2008, Amendment at pp. 7-8).

Applicants' request in this Rule 312 Amendment will not require an additional search or raise new issues. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered and the requested changes be made. If it is deemed that an issue is raised by the requested amendment to the specification, however, Applicants request all amendments not raising any new issue be entered and the corresponding requested changes be made.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Amendment and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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